## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA Case Number: 23-23791-CIV-MORENO

CHRISTON KNOWLES, an individual

Plaintiff,

VS.

PRESTIGE AUTO MIAMI LLC, a Florida limited liability company, and CIG FINANCIAL, a California limited liability company,

Defendants.		

## **ORDER GRANTING MOTION FOR WITHDRAWAL**

THIS CAUSE came before the Court upon Motion for Leave to Withdraw as Counsel for Defendant (**D.E. 25**), filed on **March 13, 2024**.

THE COURT has considered the motion, the pertinent portions of the record, and being otherwise fully advised in the premises, it is

ADJUDGED that the motion is GRANTED. Notice is hereby given to Defendants Prestige Auto Miami LLC and Cig Financial that a corporation may not represent itself. *See National Indep. Theatre Exhibitors, Inc. v. Buena Vista Distrib. Co.*, 748 F.2d 602, 609 (11th Cir. 1984) (citing 28 U.S.C. § 1654 and holding that corporations must always be represented by counsel). Defendants Prestige Auto Miami LLC and Cig Financial, therefore, cannot proceed to trial unless it obtains substitute counsel by May 13, 2024. If no substitute counsel is obtained, the Court will allow Plaintiff Christon Knowles to move for entry of default judgment against Defendants. Counsel for the Plaintiff shall forward a copy of this Order to Defendant Connect One Financial, LLC.

DONE AND ORDERED in Chambers at Miami, Florida, this 24th of April 2024.

FEDERICO A. MORENO

Federico A. Moreno

UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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